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## Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, May 9, 2011, at 2 p.m.

## House of Representatives

FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2011

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
May 6, 2011.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MICHAEL K. SIMPSON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

Reverend Mark Farr, The Faith and Politics Institute, Washington, DC, offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, we give You thanks for the rich spiritual traditions that You have bestowed upon this Nation. May we be worthy of the heritage we have received.

Grant us the disposition to be still and to pray, the courage to respect the prayers of others, and the faith to know our prayers are never in vain.

Then, having prayed, grant us the willingness to bridge the divides that arise in a thriving democracy; lift our eyes that we might see above the immediacy of the present clamor to the peace that is forged by a life spent in intimacy with You that we might sow peace in our land, in this House, and in the Garden of our Souls.

In Your name we pray. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, May 5, 2011.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
U.S. House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on May 5, 2011, at 5:20 p.m.:

Appointment:  
Board of Visitors of the United States Coast Guard Academy.

Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China.

With best wishes, I am  
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until noon on Tuesday next for morning-hour debate.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, May 10, 2011, at noon.

### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1460. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on the Procurement and Use of Munitions, pursuant to Public Law 111-84, section 316; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1461. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the 2010 Annual Report regarding the Department's enforcement activities under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1691f; to the Committee on Financial Services.

1462. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Federal Home Loan Bank Liabilities (RIN: 2590-AA36) received March 31, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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